

HIV Planning Group Meeting Minutes
 Best Western Premier Central Hotel and Conference Center
 800 E. Park Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17111
 May 8th, 2019

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Call to Order: Michael Hellman called meeting to order	Meeting commenced at 9:04am
<p>Introductions: HPG Members, staff, and guests introduced themselves.</p> <p>Members Present: Dominique Carollo, Sonny Concepcion, Liza Conyers, Daphne Curges, Sharita Flaherty, Michael Hellman, Teresa Lowery, Leah Magagnotti, Shannon McElroy, Atticus Ranck, Roy Spearman, Dane Stratford, Greg Valdisera, Michael Witmer</p> <p>Members Absent: James Davis, Miriam Degroat, Courtney Franklin, Ella Kaplan, Steven Nazario, Robert Pompa, Clint Steib</p> <p>Planning Partners Present: Jeff Geibel (Drug and Alcohol), David Saunders & Aerielle Waters, PHPA (Health Equity), Bonnie Krampe (HIV Surveillance), Joanne Valentino (HOPWA), Susan Thompson (MAAETC), Nicole Risner (Medical Assistance), Doris Gascot (OMHSAS/Mental Health), Nicole Johns (Philly HIV Planning), Sharron Goode-Grant (Philly RW Part A Grantee), John Haines (SPBPAC), Kris King (STD Program), Jamie Durocher (TB Program)</p> <p>Planning Members Absent: Corrections, Education, Viral Hepatitis</p> <p>Department of Health Staff: Michelle Clarke, Cindy Findley, Kyle Fait, Cheryl Henne, Lisa Petrascu, Monisola Malomo, Marijane Salem-Noll, Jonathan Steiner, Jill Garland, Ja’nae Tyler, Michelle Rossi, Christine Quimby, Godwin Obiri, Claire McCreary, Sean Hoffman</p> <p>University of Pittsburgh Staff: David Givens, Sarah Krier, Brian Adams, Michael Zolovich</p> <p>Guests: Ken McGarvey (Community Member), David Korman (MAAETC), Cheryl Bumgardner (PA Association Community Health Centers), Joshua</p>	9:04am to 9:09am

McMahon (PA OMAP), Jeremy Sandberg (PEHTI), John Howland (Gilead Services)	
<p><u>November Meeting Summary</u> David Givens (HPCP)</p> <p>The objectives of the January meeting were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To inform and update the committee and guests on HIV prevention and care-related news, trainings, and events across the commonwealth. • To welcome and orient new community members to the HPG and its processes, and to help members get to know one another! • For the committee to review overviews of the operations of the Division of HIV Disease, the HIV Surveillance program, and the basics of Epidemiology. These overviews aid in orientation and also form the background and parameters for much of the HIV planning process and the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan. • To advance the important work of the HPG around the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care plan through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The assessment subcommittee’s work planning for 2019, working with the statewide stigma survey, and discussing intersectional planning ○ The evaluation subcommittee’s ongoing work measuring the progress being made in the state for HIV-related activities in the Plan. <p>All the January meeting objectives were met successfully.</p>	9:08am to 9:13am
<u>Approval of November Meeting Minutes</u>	9:13am
<p><u>Agenda Review & Meeting Objectives</u> Mike Hellman (Community Member)</p> <p>The objectives of the May 2019 Meeting are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To inform and update the committee and guests on HIV prevention and care-related news, trainings, and events across the commonwealth, and to use and disseminate the information shared here to larger stakeholder communities across Pa. • To examine the intersection of HIV and related, high priority health issues. The issues this meeting include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The intersection of HIV with health equity in Pennsylvania through the lens of racial disparities. The HPG will use that knowledge to develop recommendations or improvements to the Integrated Plan or Division activities. ○ Reports (delivered every meeting) on housing programs in Pa. through the report on HUD Emergency Solutions grants. (The HPG will develop recommendations or improvements to the Integrated Plan or Division activities once the final presentation is delivered). 	9:14 to 9:17am

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review and provide feedback or suggest improvements to various HIV or stakeholder related activities across the state, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Division’s Data-to-Care pilot ○ The first HPG Stakeholder Townhall meeting ○ The Co-Chair’s NASTAD report • To advance the important work of the HPG around the Integrated HIV Prevention and Care plan through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The assessment subcommittee’s work receiving an update on the statewide stigma survey and delving into the HPG presentations and discussions around HIV and racial disparities in Pa. ○ The evaluation subcommittee’s ongoing work measuring the progress being made in the state for HIV-related activities in the plan. • To maintain the operations of the HPG through the election of the HPG Co-Chair elect position, and to continue to promote a uniform basis of knowledge around HIV for the group through an HIV 101 refresher. 	
<p><u>Announcements/Updates</u></p> <p><u>Division of HIV Disease, DOH</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marijane Salem-Knoll (Prevention Section): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Godwin and Mari Jane submitted carryover request for funds from 2018. More info coming at the next meeting. ○ Following positions are trying to be filled: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clerk typist 3 ▪ Public Health Systems Administrator ▪ Capacity Building Coordinator ○ The Data Manager Position has been filled. That individual started on May 20th. ○ The state’s condom order from has been updated to include dental dams. ○ Capacity Building- CDC initiated a program called CRIS- a way to request/schedule trainings. Please bear with us as we work out the kinks. Continue to request as Capacity Building Trainings as normal. • Ja’Nae Tyler (Data to Care): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Have expanded Data to Care in Allentown and Bethlehem. Three new facilities have also been added and 3 more will be added in the next few weeks. • Michelle Rossi (PrEP Coordinator) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Have an Intervention data collection tool out that will be collecting some info on the current interventions we offer. There will guidance on interventions going forward from this data. 	<p>9:17am to 10:17am</p>

- Demonstration project with Pitt is finally ready to go! More info coming.
 - Michelle and Mari Jane met with Jeff Geibel and DDAP- Michelle and Marijane have been doing presentations with Drug and Alcohol providers on HIV testing and PrEP to make them aware of it. Lauren Orkis has also been co-presenting with them on Hep C.
- Cheryl Henne (Care Section):
 - Currently working on grant close out activities and preparing the report that is due to HRSA around previous year that just ended
 - Regional renewal contracts are in process (MOU, claims processing, etc.)
 - HRSA will be providing technical assistance to our program around clinical quality management. There will be an onsite session in July and two conference calls with HRSA leading up to it for some prep work
 - Finishing site visit reports from annual monitoring from fall and winter
 - Hosted a regional boot camp- leadership from all different regions got together to discuss opportunities and address issues
 - Looking to fill a Clinical Quality Management position
 - Looking to fill a PHPA position – finally been posted
- Joanne Valentino (Housing Opportunities for People Living with AIDS: HOPWA):
 - HUD announced funding for 2019 in April - \$3,546,141 (13.8% increase from 2018)
 - Has a limited time to complete HOPWA portion of five-year consolidated plan to send to the Department of Community and Economic Development. Once it is completed, it will be sent out for comments and then sent to HUD.
 - Funds received after all this is done, but there are plenty of funds to last until then.
- John Haines (Special Pharmaceutical Benefits Program):
 - Drug formulary updated April 1st- five new drugs added
 - Another drug was just recently approved and should be added soon
 - Rolled out new electronic client enrollment system (MRx Enroll) in February
 - Also working on launching a Case Management Portal where case managers can tie all their clients to their profile

for easier management and access. This will hopefully start being tested with advisory council members and case managers in June

- Currently working on revising the cover letters that let clients know the online enrollment is available
- Next meeting is a conference call on July 25th

- Jill Garland (Division Director):
 - Department moved to a shared human resources services model – meaning we don't have a dedicated HR office anymore. Bugs are being worked out which has resulted in some slower than usual HR transactions, but we've seen some movement so we're hoping all positions will be filled soon.
 - DOH did receive Public Health Accreditation. Certain standards have to be met and maintained. This took many years of preparation and is a great achievement!
 - Dr. Lauren Orkis held an HPV elimination meeting
 - She will also establish a smaller stakeholder group that will maybe meet twice a year. Reach out to her if you're interested!
 - NASTAD
 - Annual meeting was held May 19th-22nd – let us meet with other states and jurisdictions and share ideas and programs
 - Convening a regional meeting for Health Equity Initiative grant they received. Will be in June in Boston
 - Media Campaign
 - Still working toward a Pa. specific one around stigma
 - We wanted to get the ball rolling, so we are rolling out a Let's Stop HIV Together small campaign
 - Continuing to work with Communication to work on something more Pa. specific

Epidemiology

- Dr. Godwin Obiri
 - Will be submitting a page for an independent drug and trade review commission – look out for it for commenting
 - The annual Epi report is prepared, and we are hoping to have it at the next meeting. Some early notes about the data:
 - Continue to see a reduction in number of new HIV diagnoses.
 - Still having trouble with young black MSM

Pitt

- Dr. David Givens

- In 2017 NASTAD selected the Pa. HPG (this does not include Philly) as an excellent model of a planning body.
 - Now Iowa has selected Pa. to provide technical assistance around how our planning body, technical assistance, and stakeholder engagements are set up.
- Community Outreach Specialist position open at our office. We will hopefully have someone hired by the next meeting and bring them to meet everybody!
- STD to PrEP project is signed and we are ready to get started! Currently hiring for that as well.
- Now have a young woman hired at our office who is reaching out to AA women to get them access to testing and PrEP, much like we have contractors doing on MSM dating apps
- SILK Harrisburg- newest location! Had their first Youth Advisory Board meeting. Hiring staff and looking at a location

Philadelphia Area:

- Nicole Johns (HIV Planning)
 - Also have a community planning body called the HIV Integrated Planning Council
 - Have been developing a racial equity work group
 - Still figuring out logistics and process
 - Positive Committee- made up of those living with HIV and affected by HIV. Looks to use their experience in the community planning process and is now developing specific recommendations for who the planning council can approve.
 - Working on doing informal listening sessions, where we are going out into the community of the suburbs of Philadelphia to try and figure out what is going on with providers and what we need to do.
 - Part A allocations meetings will be in July. Please contact for more info.
 - Been finalizing a PrEP work group- joint process with Department of Public Health, planning council, and community members. Had a lot of dialogue about what PrEP implementation should look like in Philly. Report will be finalized in June and be an addendum to our integrated plan.
 - Council is currently addressing barriers of accessibility of meetings to community members
 - Planning “Brown Bag” lunch events where experts or providers come and speak to the community. The next one will be terminology around Sex/Gender terms
- Sharrone Goode-Grant (RW Part A Grantee)
 - Greg says hi!

- “Philly Keep on Loving” campaign will launch on 2/14/2020- encourages people to consider PrEP in their sexual health. Ads will be on buses, corner stored, and social media. Will be in English and Spanish
- June is AIDS education month. Philadelphia Fights - Prevention and Education Summit 2019: Provides information on the latest treatment, research, prevention, and outreach activities. Please register to attend! Kickoff June 11th at Pa. Convention Center. Go to <https://fight.org/> for more info.
- MANN- delivers meals to parts of 9 counties. MANN can accommodate clients that live outside of one of the areas as long as the delivery comes to a relative, friend, or provider in the allowed area. Walk-ins are also okay.
- Action Wellness- participating in a research study called “Check it Out” in combo with Pitt. The study examines the question: does providing financial help to those living with HIV help provide their overall financial stability? Study will hopefully provide knowledge to the field of how to help those living with HIV. Go to www.actionwellness.org for more info.

Community Members:

- Dr. Theresa Lowery
 - Transgender Program started a year and a half ago at Reading Hospital
 - Doing extremely well
 - The OBGYN started it with the idea that it would be great for medical student to do that form of medicine
 - The program will start at two more hospital: Phoenixville Hospital and Pottstown Hospital
 - Tower Health forms will now have pronouns and preferred names spots
- Michael Witmer
 - Hershey Medical center is hiring a new HIV nurse- doesn't specifically say it on website. Position ID #14472

Planning Partners

- Susan Thompson (MAAETC)
 - Ending cycle of HIV preceptors – Three day observation for clinicians who want to start providing care or improve their care. Please send any interested physicians her way.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Offers a Hep C Preceptor- one day observation for clinicians who want to start providing care or improve their care. Taking this Preceptor to Drug Treatment Center Parkside in Philly ○ Started a MAT Preceptor (Medical Assistance Treatment) to help providers who work with substance abuse ● David Koram (MAAETC) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ PEHTI- still hosting routine HIV testing video on website. 79 viewers so far, 20 have completed the evaluation quiz ○ One training on reimbursement for HIV testing – 10 viewers with 1 evaluation ○ Please encourage folks to watch both of these videos! ● Jamie Durocher <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Six percent of those infected with HIV are also infected with TB ○ CDC said 8 percent in young people ○ Now developed a one page, front and back, questionnaire- three questions to determine if someone would be tested for TB. Modeled by CA department of health. The questions are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Have you been to a high TB place? ▪ Are you immunosuppressed? ▪ Have they ever been exposed to someone with active TB disease? ● Michelle Clarke (Medical Monitoring Project) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New software CDC introduced that we had to learn ○ Current cycle ended on May 31st ○ Pa. interviewed 47 percent of people eligible (also 2 extra people more than we had to) ○ We did well this past cycle. Thank you all! ● Jeremy Sandberg (PEHTI) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Started giving Hep C tests last year to those we give HIV tests to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Completed 7,000+ last year ▪ 1 in 3 are antibody reactive ○ If you run into people who are dealing with uninsured individual, please reach out to Jeremy. Will go anywhere as they want to cover whole state. They also want to travel to lower populated areas. ○ Ten to thirty five percent of people who get exposed to Hep C. will clear the infection by spontaneous resolution – may be genetics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Young females have a higher probability of resolving ▪ Pa. is at almost 20 percent which is a good national average ▪ However, a lot of people are lost after their initial test 	
<p><u>Break</u></p>	<p>10:17am to 10:27am</p>

<p><u>The State of Health Equity in Pennsylvania</u> David Saunders & Aerielle Waters, PHPA Office of Health Equity</p>	10:27am to 11:11am
<p><u>The Current IHPCP & Racial Disparities</u> Dr. David Givens</p>	11:am to 11:40am
<p><u>HGP Discussion: Addressing PA’s Racial Disparities in the IHPCP</u> HPG and Panel</p>	11:40am to 12:05pm
<p><u>Lunch</u></p>	12:05pm to 1:10pm
<p><u>HGP Discussion: Addressing PA’s Racial Disparities in the IHPCP (cont.)</u> HPG and Panel</p>	1:10pm to 1:45pm
<p><u>Subcommittee Breakouts</u></p>	1:55pm to 4:00pm
<p><u>Subcommittee Reports, Summaries, and Discussion</u></p> <p><u>ASSESSMENT SUBCOMMITTEE</u></p> <p>Possible recommendations or action items from Racial Disparities presentations and discussions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborating with OHE around bundling health education and outreach. Examples the group identified could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (1) including HIV-specific information into presentation materials (as examples of racial disparities) ○ (2) coordinating awareness with groups or outreach initiatives to communities impacted by common, known comorbidities, and could be listed as an activity in the IHPCP. Comorbidities commonly experienced across groups experiencing racial health disparities could include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sickle-cell anemia ▪ Hypertension ▪ Diabetes ▪ Smoking ▪ Heart disease ▪ Aging • OHE could/can continue to incorporate HIV data as an example of a common racial health disparity in Pa., while the Division/Plan can continue to incorporate more robust language around racial disparities in its plan (i.e. its existing recommendation) • Possible recommendations around correctional facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More descriptive data is needed on the varying intake and discharge experiences and policies occurring in different correctional facilities across Pa. 	4:00pm to 4:05pm

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HPG could support specific the legislative efforts around criminal justice reform ○ Request more data on MAAETC provider trainings for prison intake and discharge ○ Request more data from PEHTI’s work with some higher morbidity jails, including exploring whether PEHTI could facilitate linking these jails with their corresponding county health depts <i>and</i> their navigation services ● HPG could request a literature review and/or past HPCP program data exploring the efficacy and cost effectiveness of faith-based HIV prevention and testing education programs ● Roundtable, focus group, or other community forums could be requested to both record and impact community perceptions around salient intersectional disparities in African American communities like U=U, stigma, forms of racism, and PrEP <p><u>EVALUATION SUBCOMMITTEE</u></p> <p>The subcommittee will make these formal recommendations to the Assessment subcommittee around activity 10 in the IHPCP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Activity 10: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engage more faith-based community organizations regarding the benefits of testing, including ministerium outreach. ○ Create a survey with PEHTI for outreach to black churches. ○ Consider testing programs at non-conventional locations (DMV, local library, etc.) ○ Consider assessing what other locations need HIV testing. 	
<p><u>Meeting Adjourned</u></p>	<p>Adjourned at 4:05pm</p>

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<p><u>Announcements</u></p> <p><u>Epidemiology</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Monisola Malomo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Comprehensive Epi profile done every five years is almost finalized. We should have copies at the next meeting 	9:06am to 9:08am
<p><u>Agenda Review</u></p>	9:08am to 9:09am
<p><u>Establishing Synergy for Integrated Planning Leadership</u> Mike Hellman</p>	9:09am to 9:35am
<p><u>HPG 2019 Membership Composition Report</u> HPCP Staff</p>	9:35am to 10:11am
<p><u>HUD Emergency Solutions Grants</u> Madra Clay, MBA Homelessness Program Manager, Center for Community & Housing Development</p>	10:11am to 11:05am
<p><u>Break</u></p>	11:05am to 11:10am
<p><u>HIV 101</u> Dr. Teresa Lowery</p>	11:10am to 12:04pm
<p><u>Lunch</u></p>	12:04pm to 1:04pm
<p><u>HPG Stakeholder Townhall Meeting Feedback and Debrief</u> Mike Hellman and HPCP staff</p>	1:04pm to 1:43pm
<p><u>HPG Co-Chair Elect Elections</u> HPCP Staff</p>	1:43pm to 2:04pm
<p><u>Data-to-Care Pilot Study Findings</u> Ja’Nae Tyler</p>	2:04pm to 2:33pm
<p><u>Subcommittee Breakouts</u></p>	2:33pmm to 3:37pm
<p><u>Subcommittee Reports, Summaries, and Discussion</u></p> <p><u>ASSESSMENT SUBCOMMITTEE</u></p> <p>HPG Recommendations/Answers for OHE: “What can OHE do to help HIV-related issues?”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public health 3.0: connect coalitions with HIV information through a health equity lens (connecting through likely co-occurring infections/risks) 	3:37pm to 3:44pm

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does OHE have CLASS knowledge to share (minority engagement competency)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Accreditation will help increase CLASS uptake/mandated requirements) • Can we collaborate with the Pa. Interagency Health Equity Team in some way? <p>What can HPG do to promote/help the Office of Health Equity?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We can put out the report to the HPG and our News Bulletin to highlight the disparities report on the OHE website (OHE will send us that report) • HPG/HPCP/Division could nominate a few attendees for the OHE Health equity summit <p><u>EVALUATION SUBCOMMITTEE</u></p> <p>The subcommittee will make these formal recommendations to the Assessment subcommittee around specific activities for the IHPCP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activity 11: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Increase the number of Drug & Alcohol providers who are able to provide PrEP referral services ○ Assess knowledge and awareness of PrEP from D&A providers • Activity 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Subcommittee requests a report at the September meeting regarding the minimum estimates for each of the stages of the continuum of care based on available data. • Activity 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No formal recommendations 	
<p><u>Meeting Adjourned</u></p>	<p>Adjourned at 3:44pm</p>
<p><u>Steering Committee</u></p>	<p>3:44pm to 4:45pm</p>

