

THE STI/HIV UPDATE

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This electronic update provides the most up to date information about HIV and STI training, resources and funding opportunities for service providers.

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TRAININGS

CDPH IN-PERSON TRAINING

The Chicago Department of Public Health, Division of STI/HIV Capacity Building, Training & Technical Assistance Unit offers a sequence of courses to educate and empower service providers who deliver or wish to offer STI, Hepatitis, TB and HIV/AIDS education to at-risk populations in Chicago.

HEP: Hepatitis Prevention Education Workshop Course	May 2, 2012
HIV Prevention Counseling	May 8-11, 2012
Partner Services	May 15-16, 2012
STI: STI Prevention Education Course	May 30, 2012
ARC: American Basic Education & Prevention Instructor Course	June 11-15, 2012
Outreach: Street and Community Outreach Intervention Workshop	June 20-22, 2012
STI: STI Prevention Education Course	June 28, 2012

For a complete training schedule, course descriptions, locations, and registration forms, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/cp32z4m> or contact Idell Brunt at (312) 413-1852.

CDPH ONLINE TRAINING

The CDPH Learning Management System (LMS) is a web-based learning tool that provides training around the competencies that are necessary to be effectively prepared to do public health jobs. Please visit www.cdphlms.com.

<i>COURSE</i>	<i>PREREQUISITES</i>	<i>ACADEMIC HOURS</i>
Tuberculosis (TB) 101	None	1
Grant Writing Basics: Level 100	None	4
Fiscal Management Basics: Level 100	None	2



Introduction to Viral Hepatitis Overview: Level 100	None	2
Hepatitis C Virus: Counseling & Testing: Level 101	Introduction to Viral Hepatitis Overview: Level 100 required	2
HIV 101: Learn the Facts	None	2
Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) 101	None	2

**WARNING: This online course contains graphic images. Viewer discretion is advised.*

For more information or to register, visit www.cdphlms.com. Online courses are available 24 hours daily unless server is being serviced. For additional information, please contact Marion Matlock at marion.matlock@cityofchicago.org.

ORGANIZATIONAL/PROFFESIONAL DEVELOPMENT

BUILD CAPACITY WITH ONLINE TUTORIALS

A series of online tutorials are available for agencies seeking to build their capacity to deliver HIV primary care services. Sessions cover topics in IT security, recruitment and retention of youth, a systems approach to the management of HIV Care and employing HIV positive staff. Access the tutorials are available through the TARGET Center's TA Library by using the search term "Online Tutorial". Please visit www.careacttarget.org.

ONLINE TRAINING NOW AVAILABLE FOR ALL MANDATED REPORTERS

Online training is provided by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services (IDCFS), the Chicago Public Schools (CPS), and the Chicago Children's Advocacy Center (CCAC for all mandated reporters. Mandated reporters are required by Illinois law to report suspected child abuse. Please visit www.dcfstraining.org.

A PROVIDER'S INTRODUCTION TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT FOR LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER INDIVIDUALS

An online training curriculum based on the 2001 SAMHSA/CSAT. All of the curriculum modules (with participant's guide, facilitator's guide, and power points) are accessible online. Please visit www.attcnetwork.org. To access the provider's introduction, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/cb9zcbd>.

TUTORIAL EXPLAINING HIV/AIDS SURVEILLANCE DATA IN THE UNITED STATES

This tutorial is a narrated slide that defines basic surveillance terms and explains the Federal and States' role in surveillance of the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the United States. The tutorial also features a guide to reading a surveillance report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention explaining the various data contained in the report. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/d9e3yug>.



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THE NATIONAL SEMINARS GROUP IN ILLINOIS

For questions or concerns regarding seminars, conferences, or product orders, please send an e-mail to the service department at cstserv@ruceci.com or call 1-(800) 344-4613.

CDC RELEASES THE *PUBLIC HEALTH LAW 101* COURSE

This course has been designed primarily for public health practitioners and students with delivery by legal counsel for health departments and by others with training in law. The course can be accessed by visiting www2a.cdc.gov/phlp or www2a.cdc.gov/phlp/phl10.

WEB-BASED TRAININGS AVAILABLE

- *Integrating HIV Services into Primary Care Settings*
- *Through the Looking Glass: Using the Care Model to Improve your Business Case*
- *Making the Business Case: Practice Assessment*

The above webinars focus on important clinical and programmatic needs of primary health care centers that are developing, enhancing, or improving their HIV primary care programs. They are designed for staff that is responsible for implementing and managing health care programs. Learn more about the trainings by visiting www.hivta.org.

NORTH CAROLINA PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS TRAINING WEB SITE

This site offers free short Internet-based trainings developed by the North Carolina Center for Public Health Preparedness on topics such as disease surveillance, basic epidemiology, bioterrorism and new/emerging disease agents. Trainings address emergency readiness competencies and core public health and epidemiology competencies. Free continuing education credits (CEUs) for trainings are available. More information on receiving CEUs is available on the cover page of each training. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/6vjwaxk>.

ONLINE COURSE ON PATIENT COMMUNICATION, “UNIFIED HEALTH COMMUNICATION 101”

This free online self-paced course is designed to improve patient communication skills; increase awareness and knowledge of the three main factors that affect communication with patients (health literacy, cultural competency, and low English proficiency); and implement patient-centered communication practices. Course credits are available. The course was developed by HRSA. Please visit www.hrsa.gov.



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TREATING ADOLESCENTS WITH HIV: TOOLS FOR BUILDING SKILLS IN CULTURAL COMPETENCE, CLINICAL CARE, AND SUPPORT

This is a series of online training modules for health care providers working with HIV-infected youth. The series covers best practices in adolescent care and the impact of the AIDS epidemic on minority youth. Other topics include: psychosocial issues; antiretroviral treatment and adherence; transitioning care; and prevention with positives. Please visit www.hivcareforyouth.org.

NASTAD WEBINAR ON MEDIA 101

The National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors, in partnership with the National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable, hosted a webinar for service providers and others featuring strategies for developing effective media messaging and working with the media. Please view the webinar at www.nastad.org.

CHICAGOLAND YOUTH AGAINST AIDS (CYAA)

The outreach component of the Chicago HIV Risk Reduction Partnership for Youth (CHRRPY) regularly trains adolescents to become peer HIV/AIDS advocates, or peer educators. For more information, contact Mr. Luis Lira, Youth Outreach Coordinator, at (773) 396-9060 or Mr. Darryl Washington, Project Director, at DWASH773@aol.com or call (312) 864-3572.

WEBINARS ON HIV SERVICES IN PRIMARY CARE, STRATEGIC BUDGETING (IN SPANISH)

Health HIV has recently released two new on-demand webinars:

- *Implementing HIV Services in Primary Care Settings; and*
- *Presupuestacion Estrategica: El Camino al Exito (Strategic Budgeting: The Road to Success).*

These webinars, developed with support from HRSA/HAB, are part of a growing library of online trainings and CME-accredited case studies developed by HealthHIV to advance and expand HIV treatment, care, and support. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/ylkbwlz>.



CHECK OUT UPDATED OR REVISED GUIDELINES

- STD Treatment Guidelines, 2010
 - www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/rr/rr5912.pdf
- Adult and Adolescent Guidelines (Revised December 1, 2009)
 - www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/guidelines
- Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-1-Infected Adults and Adolescents (PDF)
 - www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/contentfiles/lvguidelines/adultandadolescentgl.pdf
- Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-1-Infected Adults and Adolescents: Tables (PDF)
 - www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/contentfiles/lvguidelines/aa_tables.pdf
- DHHS Panel on Antiretroviral Guidelines for Adults and Adolescents: Panel Roster and Financial Disclosure (PDF)
 - www.aidsinfo.nih.gov/contentfiles/AA_Roster.pdf

MIDWEST AIDS TRAINING AND EDUCATION CENTER (MATEC)

MATEC is a federally-funded center providing AIDS and HIV clinical training and support to health care professionals. MATEC has built connections with the top HIV clinicians and researchers in our region to offer health care professionals targeted training and direct access to expert information. Visit our National Resource Center website for more information about the national network at www.aids-ed.org or scroll below for links to additional resources. To register for these courses, and to view other program offerings, go to www.matec.info.

RESROUCE NETWORKS

THE CHICAGO AREA HIV INTEGRATED SERVICES COUNCIL (CAHISC)

This newly integrated planning council provides guidance for funding to deliver HIV prevention, care and housing services to Chicago residents along with 9 collar counties; Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will. For More Information email H.L. Anderson, M.S. at Hannah.Anderson@CityofChicago.org.



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ILLINOIS HIV PREVENTION COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

The Prevention Community Planning Group (PCPG) is composed of 21 to 35 members of the Illinois community who work with the IDPH to plan HIV prevention services. For more information or questions, contact Janet Nuss, PCPG Coordinator at (217) 524 4759 or (217)524-5984.

HEALTHCARE ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM FOR SPANISH SPEAKING MALES

This is a residential program for Spanish speaking males with priority given to HIV+ individuals. Services include case management (Ryan White), HIV/AIDS education and prevention. The contact person is or Elizabeth Negret at (773) 252-2666.

PROJECT VIDA: HIV SUPPORT GROUPS AND INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

- "*Esperanza*" targets the Spanish-speaking community with meetings on Tuesdays 6:45-8:15 PM. Example topics include counseling on trauma, depression, stigma, social services needs, and relaxation/meditation.
- "*The Importance of Knowledge*" targets the African American community and covers mental health issues, family, social services, spirituality and other needs. This group meets the 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month from 1:00-3:00PM. Pre-registration intake is required for both groups. Meetings are held at 2659 S. Kedvale. Contact: Greg Van Hyfte or Andrew Roberts at (773) 277-2291 for group or individual counseling appointments.
- Project VIDA offers persons living with HIV/AIDS massages, acupuncture, and ear candling in a private and confidential setting. Pre-registration intake session required. Contact Alejandra Peña at (773) 277-2291 at 2659 S. Kedvale to schedule an appointment.

PREVENTION FOR POSITIVES SUPPORT AND EDUCATION FOR LATINO MSM

Living with HIV/AIDS, every Wednesday from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at CALOR's Wellness and Resource Center, 5038 W. Armitage Ave. Contact: Martin J. Gonzalez Rojas at (773) 385-9080.

MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM IMMIGRANT SUPPORT GROUP

This program is for Spanish-speaking consumers. This weekly support group will provide a safe and confidential forum for lesbian, gay, bisexual & transgender immigrants, regardless of their immigrant status. The group is free of charge but pre-registration is required. Please contact Karen Rothstein-Pineda, Latino Services Coordinator, at (773) 472-6469 x.261 for additional information.



ALTERNATIVE THERAPY PROGRAM

Massage and acupuncture sessions are available by appointment only for persons living with HIV. For more information, call Heartland Alliance at (773) 751-4066 or visit www.heartlandalliance.com.

SUPPORT GROUPS AND THERAPY FOR HIV+ WOMEN

The Chicago Woman's AIDS Project offers support groups and therapy for HIV+ women, these are drop in peer-led support groups that include lunch, childcare and bus cards.

- North:
Monday's, 6363 N. Broadway, 12:00-1:30pm.
Saturday's, 6363 N. Broadway, 12:00-2:30pm.
- South:
2nd and 4th Saturdays, 2317 E. 71st St., 1:30-3:30pm.
- West:
1st and 3rd Thursdays, 3812 W. Ogden Ave., 2:30-4:00pm

Call to make an appointment or for information on these or other programs. Bernita Robey: (773) 262-5566 x203.

PREVENTION FIRST

Prevention First is a nonprofit organization dedicated to preventing teen drug use before it starts. For more information call (312) 988-4646. Please visit www.prevention.org.

CHICAGO GENDER SOCIETY

Safe, semi-public activities offered for members to meet others with similar interests and help them become comfortable and acceptable in their gender role. Meetings 2nd Tuesday of the month. Socials 4th Tuesday of the month. Please visit www.chicagogender.com or send an email to CGS@attbi.com.

GAY AND LESBIAN NETWORK

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Network continues to meet monthly and welcomes new participants. If you are interested in learning more or if you wish to join the Network contact Chris Mitchell at (312) 996-8509 or Andrea Goudy at (630) 879-9132.

T-TIME TRANSGENDER DISCUSSION

A discussion group for adult (25+) transgender and intersex individuals who want to meet, socialize and network with other transgender individuals in a supportive setting. This group meets every 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month 6:30-8:30pm at Howard Brown Health Center 4025 N. Sheridan for more Info contact Lara Brooks (773) 299-7622 larab@howardbrown.org.



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TYRA (TRANS-YOUTH RESOURCE AND ADVOCACY)

TYRA is a discussion group for young transgender and questioning individuals who want meet, socialize and network with other transgender individuals meeting every Thursday 6:00pm – 8:00pm at Broadway Youth Center, 3179 N. Contact Lara Brooks (773) 299-7622 larab@howardbrown.org or Casey Schwartz (773) 935-3151 x.224.

CENTER ON HALSTED

LGBT Services Horizons Youth Program (ages 13-24) "*Gathering Space*" on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays 3:00-8:00 pm. Saturdays 12:00-5:00 pm: Mental Health Services: Individual, Couples, Family Counseling. Groups: Men's Coming Out, Men's Poz 20's, Women's Coming Out Workshops, Bisexual Women's Group, Grief Groups. Anti-Violence Project: 24-hour crisis line: (773) 871-CARE (2273); Victim & Witness Advocacy & Counseling. HIV Testing is offered seven days a week from 8:00am-9:00pm. Walk-ins or appointments accepted. Spanish/English testing/counseling. Agency site located at 3656 N. Halsted.

CRYSTAL METH ANONYMOUS GROUP

This group meet Saturdays at 7:00pm at 4750 N. Sheridan Rd. Meetings are sponsored by Haymarket Center. Call for more information (312) 226-7984x.373 x.540.

PREVENTION EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE AIDS FOUNDATION OF CHICAGO

Prevention & Care Committee of the AIDS Foundation of Chicago meets quarterly (Jan., April, July, Oct.) on the 1st Tuesday of the month from 10:00am-12:00pm at 200 W Jackson suite 2200. For more information, contact Cynthia Tucker at (312) 334-0965.

SYPHILIS ELIMINATION TASK FORCE

This task force is a coalition of Community based organizations, and CDPH who are committed to seeing syphilis eliminated from Chicago. For more information, contact Yvonne Cruz, Chicago Department of Public Health, Syphilis Elimination Coordinator at cruz.yvonne@cityofchicago.org or (312) 413-3680.

HEPATITIS C TASK FORCE

This task force is a group designed to address the hepatitis needs of Chicago residents. For more information contact Jennifer Antonelli at (312) 743-1683.



CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER (CCHC) FOOTPRINT

The CCHC Footprint provides several support groups for female sex workers within the City of Chicago and surrounding suburbs. For location & questions regarding the groups, contact the Program Director at (773) 533-5600. Prostitutes Anonymous: Mondays & Thursdays: 8:30-9:30am, Friday: 6:00-8:00pm. Alcoholics Anonymous: Tuesday: 8:30-9:30am. Self-Support: Wednesday: 8:30-9:30am.

JACKSON PARK HOSPITAL

Jackson Park Hospital offers confidential services. Appointments are preferred, walk-in's welcome, uninsured welcome.

- Screening for STDs / STIs including HIV,
- Diagnosis and onsite treatment for STDs/STIs
- Laboratory and Diagnostic Services, and
- Health Education/Risk Reduction Counseling.

Hours of operation

STD Clinic: Tuesdays, 1:00 to 4:00pm

HIV Clinic: Thursdays, 1:00-4:00pm

Location: 1625 E. 75th Street, 2nd FL.

For more information contact Octavia Richmond: (773) 947-7271

Or contact the Clinic: (773) 947-7800.

ASIAN HUMAN SERVICES (AHS)

AHS provides culturally competent comprehensive HIV/AIDS services, including HIV prevention education, case management, complementary therapy, individual counseling support groups and legal assistance through a monthly pro bono legal clinic. For more information, log on www.ahschicago.org.

STATE OF ILLINOIS AIDS / HIV & STD HOTLINE 1-800-AID-AIDS

This hotline is free and anonymous offering callers the most up-to-date, medically-accurate information on AIDS/HIV and sexually-transmitted diseases (STDs), emotional support, and state-wide referrals for healthcare and social services related to AIDS/HIV and STDs. This program offers services in English and Spanish and provides a wealth of information and referrals to callers. The hotline is housed at the Center on Halsted, 3656 N. Halsted; Tel: (800) 243-2437.



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TEST POSITIVE AWARE NETWORK (TPAN)

This network provides peer-led HIV support groups Monday through Thursday.

- **Twenty Something:** an HIV support and discussion group for people in their twenties.
- **Wellness Programs:** yoga, meditation classes, and massage therapy.
For more information contact Joe Benjamin at j.benjamin@tpan.com or at (773) 989-9400 x.238.
- **Power:** Partnering with Heartland Human Services, Inc. The Positive Outcomes for Wellness, Education, and Recovery program, or POWER, aims to decrease substance abuse and HIV transmission among African-American men by providing education, brief interventions, individual and group level counseling, HIV testing, and substance abuse treatment. Call (773) 878-POWR (7697).

HEARTLAND COMMUNITY & TREATMENT SERVICES FIRST STEP

First Step offers a 365-day housing program for HIV-positive individuals recovering from addiction to alcohol and other drugs. For additional information regarding admission requirements and admission process, contact First Step Case Manager at (773) 506-7507.

"PHOENIX"

This is a support group for HIV Positive adults that meets Fridays at Universal Family Connection, Inc., 1350 W. 103rd Street, Chicago 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Goal is to enhance the quality of life our participants. Topics determined by participants include Getting Past Depression, Stigma, Medication Adherence, What can be done - Side Effects. Periodic guest speakers and outings. Free individual counseling available by appointment Call Marcia Cloutier (773) 881-1711.

E—HAP WEB UPDATES

- MMWR: Sexual Identity, Sex of Sexual Contacts, and Health-Risk Behaviors Among Students in Grades 9-12 — Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance, Selected Sites, United States, 2001-2009
 - <http://tinyurl.com/c478z8t>
- MMWR: Thirty Years of HIV — 1981–2011
 - <http://tinyurl.com/c33bcyc>
- MMWR: HIV Surveillance --- United States, 1981--2008
 - <http://tinyurl.com/c5kjkax>



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CDC HIV/AIDS

<http://www.cdc.gov/hiv> - Visit CDC's HIV/AIDS Web site.

CDC NATIONAL HIV TESTING RESOURCES

<http://www.hivtest.org> - Text your ZIP code to KNOW IT or 566948. Locate an HIV testing site near you.

CDC NATIONAL PREVENTION INFORMATION NETWORK (NPIN)

1-800-458-5231 www.cdcnpin.org Find CDC resources and technical assistance.

AIDSINFO

1-800-448-0440 www.aidsinfo.nih.gov - Locate resources on HIV and AIDS treatment and clinical trials.

HIV/AIDS IPHONE APPLICATION

AIDS info released its first iPhone application, the AIDS info HIV/AIDS Glossary App. The application, designed specifically for iPhones, provides access to the same HIV/AIDS terms found in the AIDSinfo Glossary of HIV/AIDS-related terms. The app includes the following features:

- More than 850 HIV/AIDS-related terms defined in English and Spanish.
- Toggle button to switch between the English and Spanish term and definition, which can be used as a translation tool.

NEW PROJECT FOCUSES ON USING PATIENT NAVIGATORS IN HARM REDUCTION SETTINGS TO BRING PLWH INTO CARE

This is a new HRSA/HAB pilot project, funded by the Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI), will develop partnerships between harm reduction programs and Ryan White-funded care sites in areas with high unmet need estimates and high numbers of active injection drug users (IDUs) from African American and Latino/a communities. The pilot will be conducted by Cicatelli Associates. Patient navigators will engage people living with HIV/AIDS who have dropped out of care, will provide support, and offer to assist and accompany the IDUs back into care and treatment services. They will serve as an ongoing link to consumers, helping them navigate and access HIV-related and ancillary services. Harm Reduction programs and Ryan White-funded care sites participating in the project include:

- Newark, NJ: New Jersey Community Resource Institute (NJCRI) and St. Michael's Medical Center;
- Camden, NJ: Camden Area Health Education Center (AHEC) and the Cooper Health System; and
- Albuquerque, NM: Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless (AHCH) and Truman Street Clinic.

For more information on this project, contact Stefanie Cousins, Cicatelli Associates, (443) 835-1927 or Helen Rovito, HRSA/HAB, (301) 443-3286.



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ANNOUNCING NEW WEB SITE HIGHLIGHTING HEALTH CARE_OPTIONS

A new Web site, www.healthcare.gov, is designed to give consumers a list of all private and government health care plans for individuals and small businesses in their areas.

AIDSINFO IMPROVES ACCESS TO INFORMATION ON CLINICAL TRIALS

AIDSinfo has updated its clinical trials search page. The new page offers potential trial participants, health care professionals, and those interested in clinical research three ways to search for HIV/AIDS clinical trials: basic, quick, and advanced. All three search options pull up HIV/AIDS-related trials directly from www.ClinicalTrials.gov. In addition, AIDSinfo information specialists are available to help with clinical trials searches. For assistance via phone, call (800) 448-0440, Monday to Friday, 12pm to 5 pm ET.

RESOURCE INFORMATION

CDC LAUNCHES HIV SCREENING STANDARD CARE

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention has launched a new phase of its Act Against AIDS campaign, to assist physicians in making HIV testing a standard part of medical care. This is designed to increase implementation of CDC's 2006 HIV screening recommendations. The materials are available free of charge to providers. The National AETC Resource Center also has resources to help clinicians implement HIV screening. Please visit www.actagainstaids.org.

WHAT'S GOING ON @ SPNS: MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING

This issue of *What's Going on @ SPNS* highlights how a few SPNS grantees are using motivational interviewing (MI) in various aspects of their interventions, from initial client assessment, to ongoing case management, to retaining people in care. In HIV care, using MI to address risk behaviors may help people better manage their HIV and improve health outcomes. Look under "What's New" on the TARGET Center home page at www.careacttarget.org.

THE LATEST ISSUE OF MENTAL HEALTH AIDS

This is second part of a series on HIV/HCV coinfection. This concluding segment expands on how providers make the decision to offer HCV treatment to individuals living with HIV and chronic HCV infection, how coinfecting individuals make decisions to accept or defer treatment for HCV and the latest thinking on HCV treatment interventions. Please visit www.samhsa.gov.



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WEBCAST OF HIGHLIGHTS FROM INTERNATIONAL AIDS CONFERENCE

The Kaiser Family Foundation and the Center for Strategic and International Studies hosted a forum of experts to examine the major policy, research, and other developments coming out of the 2010 International AIDS Conference in Vienna, Austria. View the webcast at <http://tinyurl.com/2aoaedh>.

WHAT ARE RECTAL MICROBICIDES?

Currently in development, a rectal microbicide (RM) is an agent that could be formulated as a lubricant, gel, douche, or an enema and used rectally to reduce a person's risk of HIV infection. Rectal microbicides could offer both primary protection in the absence of condoms and back-up protection if a condom breaks or slips off during anal intercourse (AI). Vaginal microbicides are also being studied. For those unable or unwilling to use condoms, RMs could be a safe and effective alternative way of reducing risk, especially if they enhanced sexual pleasure and were unobtrusive enough to motivate consistent use. For more information visit www.rectalmicrobicides.org.

WHAT IS HAPPENING IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT?

The field of rectal microbicide (RM) research is more vibrant than ever. Researchers are developing and testing products in laboratory tests and animal studies. Safety trials look to see if the RM does not cause harm and is well tolerated. One safety trial has been completed, and other safety trials have begun. Once candidates RMs are shown to be safe, they can move into efficacy trials to determine if they actually work to prevent HIV infection.

Acceptability and behavioral studies help determine the characteristics of products people would most likely use, and determine who is engaging in AI.

Baseline studies investigate what normally happens physiologically during AI.

Formulation studies explore how different chemicals and substances would be put together to create a safe and effective RM.

Distribution studies ask the question - where do RMs need to go in the human body?

Lubricant safety studies seek to establish whether currently available lubricants are safe to use rectally. The lubricants being tested are not designed to specifically block the transmission of HIV, but it is important to know whether they are causing any harm.

To learn more about the current RM research and the development pipeline in detail, as well as related scientific activities, read IRMA's report, *From Promise to Product: Advancing Rectal Microbicide Research and Advocacy*, available on the IRMA website www.rectalmicrobicides.org.



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AIDS LEGAL COUNCIL OF CHICAGO (ALCC)

ALCC is a nonprofit organization that provides free legal services to people affected by or living with HIV and AIDS. Direct legal services that we provide include: public benefits, confidentiality, discrimination, immigration issues, powers of attorney and more. Contact us today for additional information. 312-427-8990

FREE TRAININGS ON HIV AND THE LAW

At the AIDS Legal Council of Chicago, they are experts when it comes to HIV and the law. The bilingual staff offers a wide variety of free trainings that educate service providers, HIV-positive individuals and the general public about the rights of those diagnosed with HIV. Training topics include (but are not limited to): HIV Law 101, Confidentiality, Estate Planning, Youth Issues, Public Benefits, Immigration, Return to Work, Permanency Planning, Discrimination, Mental Health, Health Care Reform, Civil Unions and Advanced Medicare & Medicaid. Contact Mary Hankey for more information. 312-427-8990 or mary@aidlegal.com

FUNDING CORNER

AHRQ FUNDING FOR SMALL RESEARCH GRANTS

The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality's (AHRQ) R03 grant mechanism supports different types of health services research projects including pilot and feasibility studies; secondary analysis of existing data; small, self-contained research projects; development of research methodology; and, development of new research technology. There are multiple grant cycles throughout the year. For more information visit <http://tinyurl.com/csdxkcy>. Key Dates: Release/Posted Date: April 15, 2010. Application Submission/Receipt Date(s): Standard receipt dates apply, please click www.grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/submissionschedule.htm. Peer Review Date(s): within 3 months of submission. Earliest Anticipated Start Date(s): within 7 months of submission. ExpirationDate: March 17, 2014.

THE BAXTER INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION

The philanthropic arm of Baxter International Inc. is a global medical products and services company. Like Baxter, the foundation supports the development of better, more accessible care, delivered as economically as possible. The Baxter International Foundation funds initiatives that benefit the entire health field. These include projects that improve quality, cost-effectiveness, access or education, and may be designed as models for larger programs. Ongoing deadline. For more information, please visit www.baxter.com.



ETHEL LOUISE ARMSTRONG FOUNDATION (ELA)

ELA funds programs of nonprofit organizations, which are led by or support adults with disabilities. They fund programs in the areas of education, advocacy, and the arts. They encourage distinctive projects where the organization is making a difference in the lives of people with disabilities. Grants range from \$1,000 - \$5,000 per project. (Grants are due November 1 and May 1, annually). For more information, visit www.ela.org.

KRAFT FOODS

Kraft has grant funds available to non-profits to focus on the reduction of hunger and to promote healthy lifestyles. Details are available online at www.healthinschools.org.

AMERICAN LEGACY FOUNDATION

This foundation collaborates with organizations interested in decreasing tobacco consumption among all ages and populations nationwide. Awards issued for innovative grants and research demonstration projects ("grants") must address one or more of Legacy's Goals to reduce youth tobacco use; reduce exposure to second-hand smoke among all ages and populations; or increase successful quit rates among all ages and populations. Legacy expects to issue nonrenewable grants in the range of \$20,000 to \$100,000 per year. Ongoing deadline. Please visit www.americanlegacy.org.

VERIZON FOUNDATION

The Verizon Foundation reviews unsolicited proposals on a continuous calendar-year basis from January 1 through November 30. To be eligible for funding consideration, organizations must focus on one or more of the following priority areas: 1) Verizon Reads (Literacy); 2) Verizon Connects (Technology); 3) Verizon Wireless HopeLine (Domestic Violence Prevention). Proposals will be considered from elementary and secondary schools (public and private) that are registered with the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), as well as eligible tax-exempt organizations in certain 501(c)(3) subsections as defined by the Internal Revenue Service. For more information, visit www.verizonfoundation.org.

JC PENNEY FUNDS DRUG PREVENTION

This program offers after-school curriculum based programming. Applications are accepted all year-around. For more information visit www.jcpenneyafterschool.org.

COMMUNITY CATALYST GRANTS

The Bank of America Foundation has three primary areas of giving: providing educational opportunities, building inclusive communities and promoting cultural outreach. Ongoing deadline. www.bankofamerica.com/foundation.



CHATLOS FOUNDATION

The Chatlos Foundation provides grants to organizations involved with social concerns. This encompasses secular community programs which provide direct services such as child welfare, vocational training, prison alternatives, concerns for the aged and disabled, and men, women and families in crisis. Ongoing deadline. Please visit www.chatlos.org.

THE HOME DEPOT

Home Depot is committed to giving back to the communities where its associates and customers live and work in four areas: affordable housing, at-risk youth, the environment, and disaster preparedness. For more information and an application, please visit www.corporate.homedepot.com.

COMMUNITY-BASED TECHNOLOGY CENTERS

Microsoft believes that everyone has potential. Confirming their belief that amazing things happen when people have the resources they need, Microsoft has seen remarkable results from their giving efforts. They're excited about the opportunities ahead and share resources, innovative technology, and ideas with organizations and individuals who work in underserved communities. Microsoft® Unlimited Potential (UP) is a global initiative that focuses on improving lifelong learning for disadvantaged young people and adults by providing technology skills through community technology and learning centers (CTLCs). Microsoft seeks to remove the limits to individual potential around the world by eliminating technology illiteracy. Ongoing deadline. For more information, visit their website at www.microsoft.com/about/corporatecitizenship/en-us/.

CONSUMER ELECTRONIC GRANTS

Best Buy announces funds to help increase consumer electronics recycling opportunities in communities across the U.S. Funds are designed to defray costs for events already planned and allow groups to do more with their budgets. Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, nonprofits, and public-private partnerships. Deadline: Open deadline. Funds: Awards range \$500-\$1,500. More information visit www.e4partners.com/grant_info.htm . Grant ID: GD2769.

THE J. JILL COMPASSION FUND

Application Deadline: December 15, annually. The J. Jill Group considers written proposals for cash grants from nonprofit organizations within the United States only. Organizations serving homeless or at-risk women and children by providing job training, transitional and/or affordable housing, education, emergency shelter, or other types of aid will be considered upon submission of a grant proposal. The J. Jill Group will consider recommending grants only for existing programs. Grant requests should be between \$250 and \$15,000. All grants are made on a one-time basis. For more information visit www.jjill.com/jjillonline/compassion/community.aspx.



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Community Improvement Programs

Burger King Corporation's HAVE IT YOUR WAY Foundation announces funds to support organizations that alleviate hunger, prevent disease, and provide youth programs. Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations. Deadline: Open deadline. Email BK_HIYWFoundation@whopper.com. Grant ID: GD2776.

OPEN MEADOWS FOUNDATION

This is a grant-making organization for projects that are led by and benefit women and girls, particularly those from vulnerable communities. Grants offered up to \$2000 and deadlines for proposals are FEBURARY 15 and AUGUST 15 of each year. Please e-mail questions or comments to openmeadows@igc.org.

THE MAGIC JOHNSON FOUNDATION

The Magic Johnson Foundation accepts applications round, potential applicants must first send in a 2-3 page letter request stating their organizational mission and background, a brief outline of the proposed program's goals and the dollar amount of their request. Letters will be accepted year-round. Application packets will be mailed to those who meet the guidelines and who are selected to be considered for funding from the Foundation Board. For additional details please visit www.magicjohnson.com.

The Annenberg Foundation

This foundation provides support for projects within its grant making interest areas of education and youth development; arts, culture and humanities; civic and community; health and human services; and animal services and the environment. A letter of inquiry should be submitted only if your project falls within one of the Foundation's funding areas. The Annenberg Foundation accepts letters of inquiry at all times during the year and there are no deadlines. After review of the inquiry by Foundation staff, the applicant will be contacted within 6 to 8 weeks as to the status of the request. At this point, a full proposal may be requested by a Foundation officer or other representative. View "Guidelines for Grantseekers" online at www.annenbergfoundation.org.



CDC NPIN FUNDING - RESEARCH AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLIC HEALTH INTERVENTIONS IN HAITI TO SUPPORT POST EARTHQUAKE RECONSTRUCTION, CHOLERA AND HIV/AIDS

Funding Opportunity Number: RFA-GH-12-001 Opportunity Category:

Discretionary Posted Date: Apr 10, 2012

Original Closing Date for Applications: May 25, 2012

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$5,000,000

Award Ceiling: \$1,000,000

Award Floor: \$100,000

Priority interventions for this cooperative agreement will be those that have the greatest capacity to improve the impact of the public health response in Haiti. Priority may be determined based on factors such as the morbidity and mortality attributable to a specific health threat, the availability of/potential for effective interventions, and the anticipated long term impact of an intervention. Projects developed for this Research Cooperative Agreement should include research and evaluations addressing public health priorities in Haiti.

COMPREHENSIVE SUPPORT SERVICES FOR FAMILIES AFFECTED BY SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND/OR HIV/AIDS

Document Type: Grants Notice

Funding Opportunity Number: HHS-2012-ACF-ACYF-CB-0286

Opportunity Category: Discretionary Posted Date: Apr 23, 2012

Creation Date: Apr 23, 2012

Original Closing Date for Applications: Jun 22, 2012

Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date.

Current Closing Date for Applications: Jun 22, 2012

Electronically submitted applications must be submitted no later than 11:59 p.m., ET, on the listed application due date.

Archive Date: Jun 25, 2012

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$5,700,000

Award Ceiling: \$475,000

Award Floor: \$47,500

The Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Children & Bureau (CB), announces the availability of competitive grants authorized by the Abandoned Infants Assistance Act of 1988, as amended. These grants will be awarded to eligible applicants for activities and services that are designed to increase well-being, improve permanency, and enhance the safety of infants and young children who have been exposed to a dangerous drug or have been exposed to HIV/AIDS and/or at risk of being placed in out-of-home care as a result of the parent(s) & substance abuse or HIV status. Please visit www.acf.hhs.gov/grants for more information.



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HIV/AIDS, DRUG USE AND VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN THE US (R01)

Document Type: Grants

Notice Funding Opportunity Number: PA-09-236

Opportunity Category: Discretionary

Posted Date: Jul 22, 2009

Creation Date: Jul 22, 2009

Original Closing Date for Applications: Sep 07, 2012

Current Closing Date for Applications: Sep 07, 2012

This FOA issued by the National Institute on Drug Abuse and the National Institute of Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health, encourages Research Project Grant (R01) applications to identify the role(s) that drug abuse plays in fueling the HIV/AIDS epidemic in vulnerable groups (racial/ethnic minorities, men who have sex with men, youth) in the United States and to develop effective interventions to prevent new infections and to improve the health and well-being of those living with HIV/AIDS.

Please visit www.grants.nih.gov/grants for more information.

COMPREHENSIVE HIV PREVENTION PROGRAMS FOR HEALTH DEPARTMENTS DESCRIPTION

This five-year funding opportunity announcement (FOA) for health departments reflects new methods for implementing high impact, comprehensive human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention program. Estimated total program funding is \$2.1 million.

Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/bqvtno6> for more information.

Deadline: 6/1/2014

Sponsor: US Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CENTERS FOR AIDS RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENTAL CENTERS FOR AIDS RESEARCH (P30)

This FOA encourages applications for the Centers for AIDS Research (CFAR) program to provide administrative and shared research support to enhance HIV/AIDS. Grant Amounts are \$750,000 total costs per center per year for D-CFAR award; Up to \$3M total costs per center per year for standard CFAR award. Deadline: 6/14/2013

Sponsor: Public Health Service, National Institutes of Health. Please visit <http://tinyurl.com/d8hrx5g>.



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Healthy Chicago is a call to action for all Chicagoans, educational and philanthropic institutions, faith communities, businesses community, neighborhoods, families and individuals to join in transforming the health of our city. Our public health agenda focuses on 12 priority areas:



TOBACCO USE:

Reduce tobacco use and exposure to second-hand smoke;

OBESITY PREVENTION:

Increase access to healthy food and healthy environments;

HIV PREVENTION:

Reduce the spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections;

ADOLESCENT HEALTH:

Improve the health, safety and well-being of Chicago's youth;

CANCER DISPARITIES:

Eliminate racial and ethnic disparities in cancer;

HEART DISEASE & STROKE:

Improve the heart health of all Chicagoans;

ACCESS TO CARE:

Increase access to primary care and mental health services;

HEALTHY MOTHERS AND BABIES:

Improve the health and well-being of mothers and infants;

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL & PREVENTION:

Reduce the spread of communicable and infectious diseases;

HEALTHY HOMES:

Help Chicagoans create safe and healthier homes;

VIOLENCE PREVENTION:

Reduce and prevent exposure to violence in our homes and communities;

PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE:

Ensure we have the infrastructure to provide essential public health services.

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