



MINUTES
SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT
Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group
May 17, 2019 1:00-3:00PM

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Cheryl Radeloff, Southern Nevada Health District
Todd Dickey, The Center
Robert Thurmond, Planned Parenthood
Christopher Reynolds, Community Member

Lyell Collins, Division of Public & Behavioral Health,
State of Nevada

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT VIA PROXY

Preston Tang, Division of Public & Behavioral Health,
State of Nevada

VOTING MEMBERS ABSENT

Xavier Foster, Southern Nevada Health District
April Jackson, Community Member
Connie Shearer, Community Member

VISITORS/PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Tiana Jones, Planned Parenthood
Austin Porsborg, Division of Public & Behavioral Health
State of Nevada
Charisse Neat Washington, Nevada Faith Health Coalition
Leana Ramirez, Avella Specialty Pharmacy
Joyce Castro, Southern Nevada Health District

Christopher Mejia, AIDS Healthcare Foundation
Phillip Washington, Nevada Faith Health Coalition

I. CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING OF AGENDA

Chair Cheryl Radeloff called the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Affidavit of Posting, Mailing of Agenda, and Public Notice of the Meeting Agenda were executed in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the general public on items appearing on the Agenda. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Chair C. Radeloff asked if anyone wished to address the group pertaining to items appearing on the Agenda. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

III. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA** (for possible action)

A motion was made by Lyell Collins, seconded by Chris Reynolds and was unanimously carried to adopt the May 17th, 2019 agenda as presented.

IV. **CONSENT AGENDA**

Items for action to be considered by the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group which may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be discussed separately per group member request before action. Any exceptions to the Consent Agenda must be stated prior to approval.

V. **REPORT/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION**

The Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group may take any necessary action for any item under this section. Members of the public are allowed to speak on action items after the group's discussion and prior to their vote. Once the action item is closed, no additional public comment will be accepted.

A. **APPROVE MINUTES/SOUTHERN NEVADA HIV PREVENTION PLANNING GROUP**

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A motion was made by Lyell Collins to approve minutes, seconded by member Chris Reynolds and carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

B. **VOTING OF NEW MEMBERS FOR SOUTHERN NEVADA HIV PREVENTION PLANNING GROUP:**

A nomination was made by Chris Reynolds to admit Leana Ramirez as a voting member. The nomination was seconded by Lyell Collins and voting members voted unanimously to approve Leana Ramirez as a voting member.

A nomination was made by Chris Reynolds to admit Tiana Jones as a voting member. The nomination was seconded by Robert Thurmond and voting members voted unanimously to approve Tiana Jones as a voting member.

C. **VOTING FOR COMMUNITY CO-CHAIR ELECT:**

A resignation was made by voting member Cassandra Martinez and therefore will no longer be considered for the position of Community Co-Chair Elect.

A motion was made by Lyell Collins to vote for Robert Thurmond to serve as the Community Co-Chair Elect and was seconded by Chris Reynolds. Voting members unanimously voted to approve Robert Thurmond as the Community Co-Chair Elect.

VI. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/DISCUSSION ONLY

A. Update about listening sessions

Chair Cheryl Radeloff stated that listening sessions have been started in order to fulfill requirements as indicated in the Nevada Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan 2017-2021.

Lyell Collins stated that stakeholder meetings will be beginning potentially in June, in both Northern and Southern Nevada.

B. Update on status of evaluation of Nevada Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan 2017-2021

Lyell Collins stated the Nevada Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan 2017-2021 has been changed by removing certain goals and objectives, and certain items that have been marked as “on-going” have been changed to completed.

Lyell Collins stated that the group should be looking to start work on the Nevada Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan for 2022, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) should be releasing a new guidance document soon related to the plan.

Lyell Collins stated CDC was very impressed with what the state of Nevada and the counties including health departments are able to accomplish considering the amount of funding and the community collaborations that have been established.

Lyell Collins stated that the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group determines their priority populations independent of the Integrated Planning Group after receiving information from epidemiological experts.

Lyell Collins stated the target populations are generally consistent, but some changes occur between youth and young adults, as well as people who use substances.

Chair Cheryl Radeloff discussed different aspects of the grid and categories that the group has chosen to include.

C. Upcoming trainings

Chair Cheryl Radeloff stated there will be a Rapid HIV Testing and Counseling training July 23rd to July 25th, 2019 followed by another training in October.

Chair Cheryl Radeloff stated the “Getting to Zero” conference call will be coming up soon.

Lyell Collins recommended to look at the “Getting to Zero” plans in Texas, Oregon, and Colorado as these may be models that are used.

Chris Reynolds stated that Dignity Health is having a Chronic Disease Self-Management Training and Positive Self-Management Training the 17th-20th of June.

Chris Reynolds stated that the Southern Nevada Harm-Reduction Alliance is hosting a Harm-Reduction Summer Series which are a series of seminars that lead to International Overdose Awareness Day and June 21st, 2019 is the kick-off.

Chris Reynolds stated in July, the Southern Nevada Harm-Reduction Alliance is offering a Hepatitis C class at Huntridge, and then in August, there will be an explanation of sterile syringe laws and sealed records, followed by International Overdose Awareness Day.

D. Updates

Chair Cheryl Radeloff stated that updates have been made to the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group bylaws and following legal review, will be given to the group for voting member approval.

Chris Reynolds stated that the Southern Nevada Harm-Reduction Alliance is in the process of moving towards a non-profit status.

Chris Reynolds stated the Southern Nevada Harm-Reduction Alliance will be holding a community networking event with Sin City Sisters on Friday, June 28th, 2019 starting at 3PM at the Nunnery.

Christopher Mejia stated that AIDS Healthcare Foundation will be obtaining a second provider to increase their patient capacity for not only HIV-positive patients but also for patients seeking PrEP related services.

Chris Reynolds asked if the AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) only accepts patients with insurance.

Christopher Mejia stated that AHF is working to create a plan to serve individuals without insurance.

Todd Dickey stated The Center is still doing the HIV 101 course, is performing HIV testing for Southern Nevada residents, and has a harm-reduction vending machine that is provided by TracB.

Lyell Collins asked if Narcan is provided in the vending machine.

Todd Dickey stated the vending machine contains Narcan, pregnancy tests, wound care and needles.

Lyell Collins stated the group should review the bylaws for the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group so that changes can be discussed at a later meeting.

Chris Reynolds stated that Community Outreach Medical Center is moving locations on Friday, May 31st and opening at the new 1090 E. Desert Inn Rd. location Monday, June 3rd, 2019.

Cheryl Radeloff stated Southern Nevada Health District has produced a video discussing PrEP which includes local physicians and will be starting academic detailing to raise awareness about testing and resources for syphilis and PrEP.

Lyell Collins stated that rapid antiretroviral treatment will be beginning at the Southern Nevada Health District where individuals can immediately receive treatment by a physician.

Lyell Collins stated that Clark County is deemed high-risk by CDC for HIV transmission and Las Vegas will be receiving additional funding, but he states he is unsure about how the funding will be allocated.

Lyell Collins discussed the large burden HIV causes in the Las Vegas area.

Lyell Collins stated the 90-90-90 strategy has been changed to 95-95-95.

Cheryl Radeloff stated that the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group can consider providing support to U=U, Getting to Zero, or 95-95-95.

Chris Reynolds stated a bill was placed to create a governor's task force for the modernization of HIV laws and had support in the state senate, and the governor now has time to sign or veto.

Chris Reynolds stated there are three co-chairs: Jen Howell is the northern representative, Martin Walker is the Southern Nevada representative, and Connie Rose Shearer is the person living with HIV representative.

Chris Reynolds stated the next legislative session will be in 2021.

Cheryl Radeloff stated her interest in bringing a professional to provide technical assistance in how to do policy advocacy especially in regard to opt-out testing in the future.

Lyell Collins stated the opt-out testing law should not be controversial, as no funding would be required; however, it would simply require HIV testing to be offered by physicians.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENT:

A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussions of those comments, about matters relevant to the group's jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item of this Agenda until this matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. Comments are limited to five (5) minutes per speaker.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair C. Radeloff asks for a motion to adjourn.

Member Chris Reynolds motioned to adjourn, and Robert Thurmond seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00PM.