



**MINUTES**  
**Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group**  
**January 21, 2026, 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM**  
**VIRTUAL ONLY /(TEAMS)**

**MEMBERS/VISITORS/PUBLIC ATTENDANCE**

Please see attached sign-in sheet for further information on attendance. This meeting was solely an informational meeting, and no voting took place.

**I. CALL TO ORDER - NOTICE OF POSTING AGENDA**

SoN HPPG Co-chair Cheryl Radeloff confirmed this was an informational meeting only. Stated the meeting will be recorded.

**II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS OF MEMBERS AND GUESTS**

This meeting was recorded. No public health information was shared during the meeting.

**III. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM** – This meeting is solely informational. Attendance did not meet quorum guidelines; no voting took place.

**IV. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is a period devoted to comments by the public on items appearing on the agenda. All comments are limited to five (5) minutes. Public Health Co-Chair Albert Sedano asked if anyone wished to address the group pertaining to items appearing on the agenda.

**V. CONSENT AGENDA**

No consent will be given for this meeting as it is solely for informational purposes.

**VI. POSSIBLE ACTION**

Items for action to be considered by the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group will be given via email for vote.

**A. Vote on SoN HPPG membership application: Dominic Calhoun**

My name is Dominic Calhoun. I am currently applying for the Nye County Southern Nevada seat and I'm interested because I'm an activist and I have power, and I'm willing to share my power wherever I occupy. I started in public health when I was eight years old. My mother chose to become sober from narcotics and alcohol, and so I decided to accompany her on her AA and NA journey from the time I was 18 until I was 20. Formally, that's when she could effectively mother me. But by that point I was already a young man. I was a junior in college, and I decided to tap into other aspects of public health, and so I did an exchange program in Albuquerque, NM, and became a student at UNM and helped link priority populations into food security services in the South Valley area. I also expanded upon that after graduating with volunteering in LA within the Meantime Men's Group, which is the largest African American queer men's organization in Los

Angeles, linking people into HIV and STI services in addition to ancillary resources like mental health and substance abuse treatment services. I furthered my education by getting my Master of Public Health and graduated in 2018. I did my internship at APLA Health and Wellness in Los Angeles, where I understood the importance of grassroots organizing and mobilization efforts to amplify STI and HIV prevention efforts, mental health, oral health, and substance abuse prevention services.

My experience is pretty vast. I worked at the government level with LA County Department of Public Health as a health educator and public health specialist. Assisted teachers with health education and reproductive health education. During COVID, I helped develop health policy to authorize the reopening of 85 school districts within LA County, which led to the reopening of approximately 3000 schools within the OSHA and California and Department of Public Health COVID-19 safety guidelines, which then propelled me into federal work, where I worked at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention within their National Center for Emerging Zoonotic Infectious Diseases. I helped advance infectious disease prevention efforts within the Western jurisdiction and helped provide technical assistance to state health directors, health department directors in Utah, California, Arizona and Nevada.

I currently work for AIDS Healthcare Foundation. That's kind of why I'm looking to further advance the efforts out here in Nye County, Nevada.

## VII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/ DISCUSSION ONLY

A. HIV Prevention and AZ – Rocko Cook - Academic Detailing Program Manager, Arizona Department of Health Services and University of Arizona College of Medicine, Tucson  
See presentation titled “*What’s the DISH? Detailing for Improved Sexual Health in AZ*”  
Started as a program out of the Health Department, and now with the University of Arizona.  
[www.hivaz.org/academic-detailing](http://www.hivaz.org/academic-detailing)

- The DISH provides a better and more targeted education and on how it is delivered.
  - Small Group Education
  - One-on-one sessions, virtual, in person and group sessions at no cost
  - Statewide education – workforce development
  - Support for the “Network of Champions”
- Current topics
  - Sexual health and history taking
  - HIV/STI testing and treatments, including Hep C, Mpox
  - PEP and PrEP, Rapid StART
  - Gender expansive care
- Goal of Academic Detailing
  - Best practices transferring data into practical work
  - Clinicians need data that is relevant, customized, usable and neutral focused
  - Academic detailing offers support, reigniting passion, ongoing engagement, updates on pleasure focused care
    - Whole clinic approach from front desk, outreach, navigators to all healthcare providers
    - Educational materials for clinics
    - Academic detailing topics (see slide 13)
- The Side DISH – individualized and ongoing education and connections for AZ healthcare providers
  - FC2, clients thinking about PrEP, utilizing motivational interviewing
- The Serving DISH – weekly special compiled by Dr. Carmichael and reviewed by Rocko

- Every Wednesday
- List of recent articles relating to sexual/social health best practices
- Professional commentary/summary
- Events calendar
- Resources
  - [www.hivaz.org](http://www.hivaz.org)
  - <https://hivaz.org/locate-services/>
  - <https://hivaz.org/academic-detailing>
  - <https://hivaz.org/the-arizona-2022-2026-hiv-sti-hep-c-integrated-plan/>
  - PrEP Community Line – for Maricopa County residents – 602-372-7737
  - STI Community Line – 602-506-6205

C: Victoria Young with the Pacific AIDS Education Training Center, the Nevada site. I'm sure you work with our sister site, the Arizona site with Cassandra and them, but I just wanted to say hello and this sounds like wonderful work you guys are doing and I am thrilled that you're working in our state. Let us know how we can help. Contact: [victoriay@med.unr.edu](mailto:victoriay@med.unr.edu)

Q: How do you summarize and integrate into the school systems?

A: We don't. If a health educator is interested in materials, we can work with them individually.

Q: Tell us more about the PrEP Community Line.

A: It grew from the treatment line which was focused to providers. It's to help anyone who needs information. We also have the STI line that offers resources and information.

Q: How are you interfacing Doxy PEP?

A: We did a series of Doxy Pep in person trainings, and we got a little sponsorship, and at the time we're able to offer some CMES and got a lot of doctors and providers. You could attend one of our sessions and Doctor Carmichael went through all the good about Doxy PEP and how that can be so incredibly effective, and you know some of the concerns that people have as well, which is absolutely relevant. The information on it seems to be overwhelmingly positive for Doxy PEP. But it is important to note that there are some concerns about it and we want to make sure that providers have all of the information when it comes to that. So we do a fair amount on Doxy PEP because when we started this four years ago, it was new out-of-the-box. We kind of capitalized on that and used it to market ourselves a little bit to say, hey, we'll come out and talk to you about Doxy PEP and whatever else you want. So great question.

Q: How are you targeting women and PEP/PrEP?

A: We don't really, but we make sure our providers, community partners have the resources for women.

Q: You showed a sheet with the different programs you offer. I wanted to ask what are the ones that are your favorite or the ones that are most requested? How does this come about?

A: It starts with someone asking to have some great conversation starters about PrEP for an outreach. We'll sit down and work with them and create a Google Doc that we can share with them. They give us their best answers. We come up with some answers with them. That's how we develop our supplementary materials.

I will say that the most common topic that we're asked for is motivational interviewing. Frankly, a lot of folks want to be able to use that to springboard into how to ask sexual health questions and taking a sexual health history. We also talk a lot about sexual health history taking and making sure that it is done in a way that is positive for both the both the patient and for the and for the provider. And focusing on pleasure; we talk a lot about pleasure because it's one of the things that we're missing. We can't talk about HIV without talking about sex and drugs, and when we talk about sex and drugs, we need to talk about pleasure. I think that from our perspective, if we can work that in, and we often do, then it's a win for us because we like to talk about it a lot and so much of HIV prevention and treatment is sort of negative deficit approached. Yes, we must ask standard questions, like "how many times have you had unprotected sex in the last six months;" but we can also add on with asking "what has your sex life looked like in the last six months? Let's also talk about what you want it to look like in the next six months and how can I help you get there?"

Q: How much research do you do with rural communities who are kind of on the border?

A: We have been focusing on rural areas in the last couple of years and making sure that the health departments have everything that they need. We've worked with Canyonlands as well up north and making sure that that they have the resources that they need. Those rural areas are really struggling in some ways, and we want to make sure that that there's a focus for sexual health.

Within that population or within that area, we've done a fair amount of work in Northern Arizona, in Winslow and around the tribal areas making sure that they also have the resources.

We did a three-day course with the health department up north in Winslow and we sat down with them and went through how they perform motivational interviewing. How do you tie that to the work that you're already doing as you travel around the reservation and meet with patients because their approach is a little different than ours. They don't do quite as much zooming as they do driving, so they'll go to meet somebody who's an hour and a half away, and are they providing testing when they do that? And how are they providing that testing? I think that rural needs are a little different than here in Phoenix. There's a lot of places you can get tested here in Phoenix and in Las Vegas, but in the rural areas, they go to one health department and that's the place that you're going to be able to get tested. Are they providing the services that you need in the way that you need them? We know that services have to be not only accessible, but also acceptable. Sometimes it can be scary to go to your county health department in a small town of 5000 people. We've been doing a lot of work regarding that, and I'd love to do more work with Southern Nevada as well.

C: Victoria Young – I'm interested in the work you do with the tribal communities and would appreciate any insight, resources, and educational material you have specific for tribal communities, especially any material that was designed for our western states.

C/A: Albert Sedano has started working with the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada; <https://www.itcn.org/>

Q: Have any clergy reached out to you for educational resources?

A: Not as much as we would like as there is a huge need.

Contact: [Rocko.Cook@AZDHS.gov](mailto:Rocko.Cook@AZDHS.gov) or call 1-480-407-7642

#### B. Nevada Syndemic Plan and Planning Process Update – Shayla Gransbery – Office of State Epidemiology, Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health

- Groups are meeting; first group met in the beginning of January
- Syndemic survey has been out and launched a Spanish survey as well
- Interviews – links to surveys have been sent out in English and Spanish; please do not share these links on social media
- Infectious disease subgroup meets on Thursdays from 9am – 10am; next meeting is January 22, 2026
- Substance use subgroup meets on Mondays from 9am – 10am; next meeting is January 26, 2026

If interested in participating in either or both of these groups, please contact Shayla at [sgransberry@health.nv.gov](mailto:sgransberry@health.nv.gov)

Q: What is the timeline for completion?

A: Wrap up will be late May

C: Tory Johnson – The plan is due June 30, 2026, so we will want community input which means pushing it out two months prior.

Q: May we have a meeting to review the proposed plan before we vote?

A: Yes. I'll notify Heather who would be the person to set up a meeting.

- Topics and pillars of Syndemic Plan (see page 4)
- Examples of strategies – (see page 5)
- Syndemic and HIV prevention plan intersection
  - Collaborating with Office of HIV to ensure all CDC & HRSA requirements for HIV Integrated Plan are met within the Syndemic Plan

- Submitting a single plan to meet the requirements for HIV Integrated Plan as well as Nevada’s first Syndemic Plan to collaboratively address HIV + Substance use + other STIs including syphilis, congenital syphilis, gonorrhea, chlamydia, hepatitis B and hepatitis C
  - 2026 - Writing the Syndemic Plan
    - Two groups – infectious disease and substance use
    - Meetings every other week, January through April
    - Both groups to identify 4 goals; 1 for each pillar
    - Bring in policy as to what can be done in government, local and organizations
    - Discuss what to continue, change or remove
    - Sign up for Syndemic Planning Groups – [https://unr.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eg05JbQ1h1Yo1oy](https://unr.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eg05JbQ1h1Yo1oy)
    - Syndemic Community Survey - [https://qualtricsxms6fw7kbkn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_eb8u92m13TysWqO](https://qualtricsxms6fw7kbkn.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eb8u92m13TysWqO)
    - Interested in helping develop the Syndemic Plan, interested but cannot commit, refer person to Heather – [h.kerwin@health.nv.gov](mailto:h.kerwin@health.nv.gov)
  - Updates – in process of conducting community survey; don’t put QR code on social media as AI bots can bypass
  - Primary data – survey and focus groups
    - Need focus groups – plan developed by community, so efforts are made to assist community
    - Will attempt focus groups in all 17 counties
    - Interested in hosting a focus group – contact Heather – [h.kerwin@health.nv.gov](mailto:h.kerwin@health.nv.gov)
- C. “Annual Orientation” – Cheryl Radeloff – SoN HPPG Public Health Co-Chair  
See presentation titled
- Bylaws – required elements
    - Yearly Epi Profile – summer or fall of 2026
    - Prevention and other grant applications
    - NV Integrated Care and Prevention Plan
    - Membership and co-chairs
    - Meetings, committees, and other processes
  - Grid Categories – these just don’t represent organizations, they represent different prioritized populations of communities such as rural areas, demographics, medical, educational, and even faith-based organizations.
  - SoN HPPG, CDC, and HRSA Guidance: HIV Planning Guidance PS12-1201
  - NV Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Plan – ending in 2026
    - Currently in process of gathering information for new syndemic plan
    - Prevention guiding documents
    - Current plan for 2022-2026 is available online: <https://endhivnevada.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/NV-22-26-HIV-Integrated-Plan.pdf>
  - EHE Clark County and Nevada 2021-2026 Plans
    - Pillars: Diagnose, treat, prevent and respond
    - Plan available online: <https://endhivnevada.org/>
  - Integrated HIV Prevention and Care Guidance 2027-2031
    - Key Changes
    - Plans should follow national HIV goals and priorities

- Proposed strategies should include implementation of activities
- SoN HPPG Activities 2025
  - Hybrid meetings
  - Minimum one joint meeting with NNHPPG
  - Education and updates – see presentation for full list
- SoN HPPG and Community Planning
  - EHE Workgroup – contact Victoria Young
  - Nevada Health Consortium – contact Chris Reynolds
    - Next meeting - January 22, 2026, 2pm – 4pm at The Nunnery (hybrid)
  - Las Vegas TGA Part A Planning Council (Ryan White)
    - Next meeting – January 28, 2026, open to everyone to attend, application must be submitted to become a voting member
  - Nevada Syndemic Plan and Planning Subgroups – contact [sgransbery@health.nv.gov](mailto:sgransbery@health.nv.gov)

**VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT:** A period devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments about matters relevant to the planning group’s jurisdiction will be held. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item on this Agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken pursuant to NRS 241.020. Comments will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker. If any member of the general public wishes to make a public comment, either in person or via MS Teams, request time from a SoN HPPG co-chair, clearly state your name and address, and spell your last name for the record. Please state whether you have any direct or indirect interest in or relationship with any individual or organization that proposes to enter any transaction with Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group. If any member of the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group wishes to extend the length of a public comment, this may be done by the Co-Chairs or the Southern Nevada HIV Prevention Planning Group by majority vote.

Organizational Activities

- Southern Nevada Health Consortium
  - 16<sup>th</sup> Annual All Black HIV AIDS Awareness Day event; West Las Vegas Library; health fair style event
  - Community Health Fair – free – February 7, 2026; 12pm – 3pm; West Las Vegas Library, 1861 N MLK Blvd, North Las Vegas, NV 89032
  - Consortium Community Calendar – if your organization has an event, you can submit it to the calendar page and it will be posted; [SNVhealthconsortium.org](http://SNVhealthconsortium.org)
- Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center, Nevada – based out of University of Nevada Reno School of Medicine and technically part of the Ryan White Part F – offer numerous trainings at no cost
  - Retention and Reengagement Strategies, Best Practices to keep People in Care – panel discussion – January 22, 2026, 9am – register here: [https://paetc.caspio.com/dp/050e700090280c9da9194a3daf9c?ER\\_ID=20019146](https://paetc.caspio.com/dp/050e700090280c9da9194a3daf9c?ER_ID=20019146)
  - HIV and Substance Use Evidence-Based Strategies for Integrating Care Webinar – February 11, 2026, 1pm - Register here: [https://paetc.caspio.com/dp/050e700090280c9da9194a3daf9c?ER\\_ID=20019147](https://paetc.caspio.com/dp/050e700090280c9da9194a3daf9c?ER_ID=20019147)
  - Integrating Mental Health and HIV Care Practical Approaches for Holistic Care Webinar – February 26, 2026, 9am - Register here: [https://paetc.caspio.com/dp/050e700090280c9da9194a3daf9c?ER\\_ID=20019057](https://paetc.caspio.com/dp/050e700090280c9da9194a3daf9c?ER_ID=20019057)
  - 2026 Spring STI Update Symposium – May 6, 2026, 9am – 4pm; Water District; all day in-person training; registration link not yet available

- Ending HIV Epidemic Work Group – first Monday of each month, next meeting February 2, 2026, 12pm; if interested contact Victoria at [victoriay@med.unr.edu](mailto:victoriay@med.unr.edu)
- Aaryana Mostafaeipour – new HRSA program coordinator for the Ryan White Part D; contact: [aaryana.mostafaeipour@unlv.edu](mailto:aaryana.mostafaeipour@unlv.edu)
- National Black HIV AIDS Awareness Day – February 7, 2026
- The Center
  - “A Brand New Day” – National Black HIV AIDS Awareness Dinner, February 6, 2026 from 5:30 to 8:30
- Crossroads of Southern Nevada – CAN Day – January 31, 2026
- SNHD
  - SoN HPPG – next meeting April 22, 2026; 2pm – 4pm, 280 S Decatur Blvd
    - If you have suggestions on presentations for HPPG 2026 contact: [radeloff@snhd.org](mailto:radeloff@snhd.org)
  - Empower Change training – March 25-26, 2026; SNHD, 280 S Decatur Blvd, if interested email [empowerchange@snhd.org](mailto:empowerchange@snhd.org)
  - Health District After Dark (HDAD) – January 29, 2026; 4pm – 6pm; SNHD 280 S Decatur Blvd/Hybrid via TEAMS; if interested email [radeloff@snhd.org](mailto:radeloff@snhd.org)

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 3:17pm.