

## **HIV & AGING WORK GROUP**

### *To Develop Policy and Recommendations on HIV & Aging to LTCCC*

**August 10, 2015**

#### **Meeting Notes**

Present: Vince Crisostomo (chair), TJ Lee, Bill Hirsh, Harry Breaux, Loren Meissner, Mick Robinson, Chip Supanich, Kevin Hutchcroft, Rick Appleby, Tom Nolan, Tez Anderson, Hanna Tessema, Greg Cassin, Bruce Ito

DAAS: Melissa McGee, Erica Johnson

Ken Hornby has resigned from committee.

#### HIV Long Term Survivor Plus Seminar –

TJ reported on the recent “plus long term survivor seminar.” 20 people attended from the 35 who had signed up.

There was a panel on living with HIV; mental health, housing, and social isolation were addressed, which are considered the big issues.

Next long term survivor plus meeting will be held in October.

Over half of those who attended have not been to other events; demonstrates that there is a market for this event.

#### ACRIA –

Hannah will send notes on the needs assessment discussion, which Melissa will forward to group. (Notes will follow under separate cover)

There will be a follow-up September training. Melissa will send out when information available.

#### We’ve Got This: A Call to Action –

Local HIV and Aging collaborative run by the Positive Resource Center.

September 18 meeting entitled “We’ve Got This: A Call to Action.”

The goal is to outreach to populations not seen regularly. The planning group will ask how it can meet the needs of the population in the next 4 events. The goal is to identify qualitative and quantitative outcomes.

#### Update on Trainings –

Rick Appleby informed group of DAAS community training held at Bethany for providers and contractors, and internal training done by Hanna and Tez for DAAS staff.

The Bethany training included a nice mix of providers. There were 75 registered, and included aging providers who were trained on HIV and working with seniors with HIV.

Bill would like to see a training module that crosses with HIV and aging that teaches each about the other field. Hannah feels HIV providers need to get involved with aging providers by showing up at DAAS and CASE for example. Hanna attended the open meeting of CASE, and feels we need to get to know the gatekeepers to those organizations serving seniors.

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Tom informed group that the city has approved \$\$ to conduct trainings on cultural competency for the LGBT community.

Where do we go as a workgroup? –

Discussion around the need to develop policy recommendations and move to action, and not on more research / surveys, etc. Suggestion to identify 5 items that need to be addressed, and then look at what we have and from this, identify 5 policy items of focus. This committee needs to be focused on putting a plan of action in place from the recommendations. For the next meeting, Vince will go back through the minutes and identify policy issues to share with group at next meeting.

At next meeting, Tom will update the group on what is actually happening with recommendations from LGBT report.

Suggestion that each meeting included action-oriented items on each agenda.

At next meeting, the group will select co-chair. May be strategic to have an aging person or a legal person. Individuals can self-nominate. If anyone is interested, please send a statement of interest to Vince prior to the next meeting.

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Next meeting:  
September 14, 2:30 – 4:00pm  
1650 Mission Street, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Mission room

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